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Registered ST in Employment Exchanges
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the exact number of Graduate/post graduate Scheduled Tribe candidates registered in employment exchanges in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
(b) the efforts made by the Government to provide employment to such graduates/post graduates in the country; and
(c) whether the Government has taken/proposed to be taken any steps to provide self-employment under other schemes and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): As per information received from the states, the number of Graduate and Post graduate combined together Schedule Tribe job seekers, all of whom may not necessarily be unemployed, on the live register of employment exchanges and placement effected through these employment exchanges in the country during the last three years are given below:
Graduate and Post Graduate Schedule Tribe Job seekers as on 31st December
2011 2012 2013
Job Seekers 337331 351901 389645
Placement 1083 855 754

(c): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs administers special area programme, namely, Special Central Assistance (SCA) to Tribal Sub Plan (TSP). Under this programme, Ministry supplements the State Tribal Sub Plan as an additive for undertaking various tribal development initiatives and for raising the level of administration in Scheduled Areas with an aim to boost the economic and social status of tribal people. It has also launched a new Central Sector Scheme 'Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojana (VKY)' during 2014-15. The VKY has been adopted as a strategic process to ensure effective utilization of available financial resources under Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP). Under SCA to TSP, grants-in-aid are released for Skill Development Programmes, Dairy Development, Poultry, Fisheries and other livelihood activities apart from other activities. Ministry of Tribal Affairs also administers a scheme of Vocational Training in Tribal Areas to develop the skills of the Scheduled Tribe (ST) youth for a variety of jobs as well as self-employment and to improve their socio-economic condition by enhancing their income. The scheme covers all the States and Union Territories.

Further, the Ministry of Rural Development is implementing two major employment programmes i.e. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) and National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in the rural areas of the country. Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) has been implementing various schemes and programmes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) for promotion of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise at all India level covering Scheduled Tribe dominated area of North-Eastern Region (NER).

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